

Middlesex County Department of Public Safety & Health

Divisions of Solid Waste Management Environmental Health

2016 Essay Contest

ESSAY SUBJECTS

Sixth Grade

Each day trash is thrown on the ground instead of being properly disposed of. This litter makes a mess of the environment and ends up in parks, beaches, and the ocean where it can harm wildlife. How can we prevent people from littering?

Seventh Grade

New Jersey has struggled in recent years to reach our mandated municipal solid waste recycling goals. How can we convince more people and businesses to recycle in order to reach our goals?

Eighth Grade

What is the best way to communicate with the public, both residents and businesses, regarding recycling requirements and why?

ESSAY SPECIFICS

Essay Length - Approximately 400 words

Grade Levels 6–8 (Middlesex County residents attending any schools including homeschool)

ESSAY PRIZES

Winners 3 per grade (9 winners total)

Prizes include an eReader for the first prize in each grade as well as environmental books.

SUBMISSIONS

- Must be received (fax, email or mailed) at the Division of Solid Waste Management on or before April 22, 2016.
- Must have student's name, municipality (home), home contact information (email and phone), grade, and school listed on the front page of the essay.
- Must be neatly written or typed.
- Middlesex County may post the winning essays on our website. Winners' names may also be included in a press release. All submitted essays become the property of Middlesex County. Not responsible for lost or damaged entries.

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